PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Johnson et al.

Group Art Unit: 2823

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METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR SINGLE OR MULTI-PERIOD EDGE For:

DEFINITION LITHOGRAPHY

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Restriction/Election Requirement the This is responsive to January 28, 2008, having a term for response without extension by February 28, 2008. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested in view of the following Election and Remarks.

RESTRICTION PRESENTED

The claims have been restricted into the following groups of inventions:

<u>Groups</u>	<u>Claims</u>	Subject Matter
1	1-14 and 17-24, 27-30, 32 and 33	Drawn to Process for Fabricating Semiconductor Device
II	15, 16, 25, 26, 31 and 34-50	Drawn to Semiconductor Device

APPLICANTS' ELECTION

Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group II, claims 15, 16, 25, 26, 31 and 34-50, drawn to Semiconductor Device, for prosecution at this time. Accordingly, non-elected claims 1-14 and 17-24, 27-30, 32 and 33 have been withdrawn. Applicants reserve the right to file divisional application(s) based on claims 1-14 and 17-24, 27-30, 32 and 33.

<u>REMARKS</u>

Claims 1-50 are now pending in the subject U.S. patent application. Claims 1-50 as filed have been subjected to a Restriction/Election Requirement.

In response to the Restriction/Election Requirement, applicants have elected the claims of Group II, claims 15, 16, 25, 26, 31 and 34-50, for prosecution at this time.

Applicants hereby reserve the right to file one or more divisional patent applications directed to the non-elected subject matter.

CONCLUSIONS

Should there be any minor issues outstanding in this matter, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned attorney. Early passage of the subject application to issue is earnestly solicited.

DEPOSIT ACCOUNT

Although no fee is believed to be due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with the filing of this correspondence to Deposit Account Number 50-0426.

Respectfully submitted,

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